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## VOTE FOR POSITIVE SISTERS AND BROTHERS OF THE SHIVA FOUNDATION (*STICHTING SHIVA*)

Stichting Shiva aims to help people with HIV gain or regain access to their own sources of energy and to find answers to their questions of life. The foundation has developed a methodology in which 'Positive Sisters' and 'Positive Brothers' assist fellow-migrants with HIV/AIDS.

The Positive Sisters and Brothers have HIV/AIDS themselves and, just like the migrants they assist, come from Africa or the Caribbean Area. Often they fled their homeland. As a result, they speak the same languages and share each other's cultures, experience, and the fact that they have HIV/AIDS.

Because of their Positive Sister or Brother, the participants' mental health improves greatly. They see that living with AIDS and participating in society are possible. They learn to take control of their own life again, to make social contacts, to work on their integration and to participate in society.

**The Positive Sisters and Brothers are in the running for an 'Appeltje van Oranje' (an annual award made by the Orange Foundation) in 2021. Support us by voting for us via [stem.oranjefonds.nl/peers](https://stem.oranjefonds.nl/peers); From Monday 11 until Wednesday 20 January.**

## BASIC RIGHTS

GGD-National (the Joint Health Service) also plans vaccinations for undocumented people

Contact with GGD-National has taught us that they also plan to vaccinate undocumented people. Undocumented people can report to the GGD or the family doctor as soon as they come under the categories for vaccination.

The moment we know more, LOS will circulate the relevant information.

Pharos: information on the Corona-virus in various languages.

[Dutch](#) | [Arabic](#) | [Chinese \(traditional\)](#) | [Chinese \(simplified\)](#) | [English](#) | [Farsi](#) | [French](#) | [Papiamentu](#) | [Polish](#) | [Somalian](#) | [Spanish](#) | [Tigrinya](#) | [Turkish](#)

<https://www.pharos.nl/coronavirus/>

## ADMISSIONS POLICY

ECHR: deportation of young people who have rooted here but have a criminal record is proportional

In two Danish cases the European Court for Human Rights has decided that an Iraqi and a Pakistani, who have lived in Denmark since their early childhood and are now in their thirties, may be deported due to their criminal record. See [here](#) and [here](#).

Court: risk of female circumcision in Liberia

This woman requested asylum because her stepmother wanted her to join the secret, traditional Sande-society where she would be circumcised. She would also be married off. She said she could not evade this, because she cannot maintain herself independently outside her family, and substantiates this with a report by Professor Knörr. The Court finds that the IND has to seriously take this into consideration. (Rb Roermond, NL20.13001, 17.12.20)

CJEU: also consider deportation option in the refusal of a request for asylum of an unaccompanied minor

The Netherlands often refuse requests for asylum from minors, although they cannot be deported because there is no shelter available for them in their country of origin. These minors are then not deported but are turned out into the street when they are 18. The Court of Justice of the European Union has now decreed that this is not right: in case of a refusal of the request for asylum, the possibility of a hand-over has to be considered as well. See [here](#).

## INSPECTION AND DETENTION

Minister of Migration: earlier alien detention possible

The European Committee has confirmed to The Netherlands that aliens can be taken into custody sooner than is happening right now, that is to say: when they do not have any identification papers or when they come from a country of which almost nobody is granted asylum. The Netherlands intends to try this. See [here](#).

## WHAT'S ON?

Debate: After the elections: a better position for undocumented people? 22 January, 19:30 de Balie

For years, nationwide discussions have been held on the reception and support of undocumented asylum seekers in the Netherlands. Tonight we will speak with various political parties on the left and central sides about how they see the position of undocumented people. What will they aim for in these elections?

<https://debalie.nl/programma/na-de-verkiezingen-een-betere-positie-voor-ongedocumenteerden-22-01-2021/>

Since 2003, the LOS Foundation (National Undocumented Migrants Support Centre Foundation) has been the knowledge centre for people and organisations who provide assistance to migrants without residence permits ('undocumented migrants'). The LOS Foundation is committed to the basic rights of these migrants and their children.